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**Interest Rate Cuts Offer Strata Sector Opportunity to Strengthen Community Stability and Reinvestment**

Thursday 22 May 2025. The recent reduction in interest rates across Australia has created new opportunities for financial relief and reinvestment in strata communities, according to the Strata Community Association (SCA) Australasia.

With more than five million Australians living in strata-titled homes, the impact of monetary policy changes on the sector is far-reaching. Lower interest rates are expected to ease mortgage pressures, reduce the likelihood of levy arrears, and provide a chance for owners corporations to refocus on long-term planning and preventative maintenance.

“Interest rate reductions bring welcome breathing room for many families and individuals living in strata,” said Joshua Baldwin, President of SCA Australasia. “This creates a positive flow-on effect for schemes managing rising maintenance, insurance and compliance costs.”

SCA is encouraging strata committees to take this opportunity to revisit capital works plans and prioritise key infrastructure upgrades that support liveability and resilience.

“Strata is about shared responsibility and forward planning,” Mr Baldwin said. “Economic conditions like this provide a chance for schemes to reinvest in their infrastructure and deliver better living environments for residents.”

SCA also notes the likely uptick in property market activity, with improved affordability driving new buyer interest in strata dwellings. This shift reinforces the importance of strong, transparent governance and professional strata management.

“As the market responds, our sector must be ready,” said Mr Baldwin. “Whether welcoming new residents or managing evolving expectations, strata professionals play a key role in upholding quality, fairness and transparency.”

SCA continues to advocate for financial transparency, professional standards and ongoing education within the sector. In the face of economic change, the commitment to good governance and service remains unwavering.

“SCA members are trusted to lead with foresight, ethics and capability,” Mr Baldwin concluded. “We’re proud to support a sector that continues to grow stronger together